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is put it on an annual basis, where if they meet six times one month they can get paid for each meeting, one time the next month they get paid for each meeting. It does not change the amount of money, to speak of. They did raise the allowance a little, but that is the big problem, to alleviate that restriction of monthly payment so that if they had to meet more than four times a month, that's all they could be paid is \$25 a day or \$100 . . .

PRESIDENT: Excuse me. Senator Moylan, we're discussing the bracketing not the substance of the bill.

SENATOR MOYLAN: Well then for that reason I think if the bill is understood there was no reason to bracket it. I would object to the bracketing at this time.

PRESIDENT: Senator Mahoney are you ready to close on your motion to bracket?

SENATOR MAHONEY: Yes. Mr. President, there are many bills here we've heard this morning that were not supposed to be controversial. It seems like each and every one of them has come up, there's been some discussion. We've still got a lot of days left in the Legislature. I don't know why we can't wait a few days, which will be as soon as we come back, April 4th. Senator Kime is not in that big a hurry to give these directors this increase. I think that Senator Kime is not that willing on an increase in other things. I would hope that the Legislature would wait until I get some of the REA from other states. I'll be able to report back. I wish the Legislature would hold this till next Friday. I don't think we should jump into any pay raises because we started here earlier in the session by not giving pay raises. I think we ought to wait on these directors. They do a good job, but outstate Nebraska shouldn't want to be given this type of wage increase to their directors.

PRESIDENT: The question is shall LB 226 be bracketed until April 4th. Record your vote. Have the members voted? Record Mr. Clerk. Senator Mahoney . . . Senator Kime.

CLERK: 20 ayes, 16 nays.

SENATOR KIME: What does it take to bracket this bill? How many votes?

PRESIDENT: 25.

SENATOR KIME: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, maybe I can get an understanding from Senator Kime then since the bill won't be bracketed. Senator Kime, you said these people ordinarily would not go to more than four meetings a month because they couldn't get more than \$25 per meeting. Is that what you said?

SENATOR KIME: No. I say if . . . they may have more than four . . . they may have more than four meetings a month. If they do they're not going to get paid for that fifth meeting, unless this changed.